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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD OF PRODUCING A PLATE-SHAPED STRUCTURE, IN PARTICULAR, FROM SILICON, USE OF SAID METHOD AND PLATE-SHAPED STRUCTURE THUS PRODUCED, IN PARTICULAR FROM SILICON

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